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For: Plural-story Building Structure with Floor-bypass Utilities Infrastructure

MS RCE

Commissioner for Patents

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT IN SUPPORT OF RCE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 **Introductory Comments**

In response to the Office Action dated August 20, 2008, please amend the above-identified Application as follows:

Amendment to the Specification None

Amendment to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendment to the Drawings None

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.

An **Appendix** is not included.